

THE FOLLOWING IS A STORM SURVEY REPORT REGARDING THE DAMAGE THAT OCCURRED WEDNESDAY MORNING IN SILVERHILL ALABAMA.

- \* EVENT DATE: WEDNESDAY MARCH 9, 2011
- \* EVENT TIME: 9:20 AM CST
- \* EVENT LOCATION: SILVERHILL ALABAMA (CENTRAL BALDWIN COUNTY)
- \* INTENSITY: EF-2 TORNADO (MAXIMUM THREE SECOND WIND GUST OF 130 MPH)
- \* DAMAGE PATH LENGTH...1.6 MILES
- \* MAXIMUM DAMAGE PATH WIDTH...150 YARDS
- \* INJURIES: A FEW MINOR INJURIES
- \* FATALITIES: NONE

\* DISCUSSION/DAMAGE: THE TORNADO FIRST TOUCHED DOWN AS AN EF1 ON WEST BLVD JUST SOUTH OF SOUTH BLVD. AT THIS LOCATION TWO HOMES SUFFERED ROOF DAMAGE WITH SOME WINDOWS BLOWN OUT. THE TORNADO THEN TRACKED TOWARD THE NORTHEAST...REACHING EF2 INTENSITY JUST SOUTH OF SOUTH AVE AND WEST OF COUNTY ROAD 55. A UTILITY TRAILER WAS CARRIED 50 TO 80 YARDS. TWO HOMES LOST MAJOR PORTIONS OF THEIR ROOFS AND SEVERAL LARGE HARDWOOD AND SOFTWOOD TREES WERE SNAPPED IN HALF. THE TORNADO MAINTAINED EF2 INTENSITY AS IT TRACKED NORTHEAST ACROSS COUNTY ROAD 55 TO THIRD STREET. A TRUCK THAT WAS BACKING OUT OF THE POST OFFICE PARKING LOT WAS PICKED UP AND FLIPPED INTO THE GRASS AREA IN FRONT OF THE POST OFFICE. THE DRIVER ONLY SUFFERED MINOR INJURIES. TWO HOMES JUST EAST OF COUNTY ROAD 55 SUFFERED MAJOR ROOF DAMAGE...WITH ONE LOSING THE ENTIRE ROOF. THE ROOF WAS NOT ANCHORED DOWN WITH HURRICANE STRAPS. A LARGE MEETING HALL WAS SHIFTED OFF OF ITS PIER BEAM FOUNDATION. THE TORNADO CONTINUED NORTHEAST CAUSING SPORADIC EF0 TO EF1 DAMAGE AS IT CROSSED HIGHWAY 104. THE TORNADO FINALLY LIFTED NEAR COUNTY ROAD 52 JUST EAST OF HILL ROAD.

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